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FOLLOWING REPEAT STATE 225483 ACTION GABORONE SEP 12.

QUOTE: S E C R E T STATE 225483

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FOR THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT KHAMA

REF: GABORONE 1724

1. YOU SHOULD PASS THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT KHAMA.

2. DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

I APPRECIATE RECEIVING THE MESSAGE WHICH YOUR FOREIGN MINISTER SENT TO ME. I VALUE YOUR JUDGMENTS CONCERNING DEVELOPMENTS IN SOUTHERN AFRICA AND WOULD VERY MUCH  
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LIKE TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH YOU DURING MY UPCOMING TRIP. AS YOU KNOW, I AM HOPEFUL OF MAKING PROGRESS TOWARD FINDING A SETTLEMENT TO THE PROBLEMS OF NAMIBIA AND RHODESIA.

3. UNFORTUNATELY, THE TIME AVAILABLE TO ME IS VERY LIMITED, AND IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE ON THIS OCCASION FOR ME TO VISIT GABORONE. I WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO DO SO. IF THIS PROVES IMPOSSIBLE, I PROPOSE INSTEAD SENDING UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE WILLIAM ROGERS AND ANOTHER SENIOR ADVISER. ROGERS, AS YOU KNOW, HAS ALREADY CONDUCTED ONE

MISSION TO AFRICA AND HE HAS BEEN WITH ME IN ALL MY MEETINGS WITH PRIME MINISTER VORSTER AND THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT. HE WILL BE FULLY CONVERSANT WITH THE SITUATION AND THE COURSE WE ARE PURSUING, AND I WILL ASK THAT HE BRIEF YOU THOROUGHLY ON THE STATUS OF OUR EFFORTS.

4. I OR UNDER SECRETARY ROGERS CAN VISIT GABORONE EITHER ON THE AFTERNOON OF SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, OR, IF IT IS MORE CONVENIENT FOR YOU, ON THE MORNING OF THE 19TH. I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR LETTING ME KNOW WHICH OF THESE TWO DATES IS MOST CONVENIENT TO YOU.

5. WITH WARM REGARDS,

SINCERELY,

HENRY A. KISSINGER.  
UNQUOTE ROBINSON

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